

KILLED WITH A HATCHET.

A Japanese Officer Butchered by One of His Countrymen.

THE KONA TRAGEDY IS CONFIRMED.

Two Japanese Shot, one Fatally, and a Police Officer Dangerously Wounded. Japanese Threaten to Tear Down a Jail at HOOKONA to Release Prisoners.

The steamer W. G. Hall brought a confirmation of the news regarding the death of the Japanese, as reported in this paper Friday. The story was true in the important details, with the exception of the wounds sustained by the police officer; he had all the ribs on the right side fractured, besides receiving a severe cut under one of his ears. Marshal Hitchcock received a letter from a deputy sheriff stationed on Hawaii, which gives some additional facts. It seems that a native man, who owned a field of coffee, was in debt to a friend, who in turn accepted the coffee in payment of his claim. Finally, a gang of Japanese was sent to pick the berries, but the native, not knowing they were sent by the owner, tried to prevent them from gathering the coffee. His efforts were unsuccessful, however, and he then went in search of the police, and finally returned with three officers, who ordered the men to surrender and accompany them to HOOKONA to answer to a charge of larceny. The policemen tried to make themselves understood without the aid of an interpreter, but they made but little headway, as the Japanese refused to leave the land, and then a free fight was indulged in by all hands.

During the melee, two Japanese were shot, one fatally; the other received a ball in one of his shoulders; one policeman had his ribs fractured, besides receiving a cut behind an ear. After the shooting took place, the Japanese surrendered themselves, and were taken to HOOKONA and locked up. During the night about 150 Japanese collected outside of the jail and threatened to tear it down, and, to quiet the mob, the policemen freed the imprisoned Japanese. Sheriff Williams was expected to reach the scene of the trouble on last Thursday, and it is presumed that he has re-arrested the men before this. The policeman, who was injured, was in a dangerous condition at last accounts; the Japanese, who received a ball in his shoulder, is not seriously wounded. The man who was killed was buried on last Wednesday.

The Hall brought news of another tragedy on Hawaii. It took place on Wednesday night about 7 o'clock at a small place in Kona called Kaupuna. The details are very meagre, but, from information received yesterday, it is learned that a Japanese officer, belonging to the plantation, was killed by a deserter, who is also a Japanese. The murderer used a hatchet. He was not caught, although the police were hot on his trail.

A KONA WEDDING.

G. E. Bryant and Miss Dora Greenwell Married.

A quiet wedding took place at South Kona, Hawaii, on the 6th. The contracting parties being Mr. Gerald E. Bryant, of Kipahulu, Maui, and Dora Caroline, eldest daughter of the late H. N. Greenwell. The guests invited were Miss von Holt, Miss Florence Scott, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Miller, Miss Paris, Mrs. Greenfield (Hamakua), Mr. and Mrs. Akerman, Rev. S. H. Davis and Miss Davis, Mr. J. Davis, Mrs. Suter, Dr. and Mrs. Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Paris and Miss Ella Paris. From Kohala, Mr. and Miss Hall, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bryant, Mr. J. Maguire and Miss Kay.

A reception was afterwards held at the residence of the bride's mother. A luau was given to the persons employed on the estate the day following.

The bride has the good wishes of her many friends by whom she will be greatly missed.

From Lahaina.

LAHAINA (Maui), Sept. 6.—Mrs. Decoto, who has been on a visit to her daughter Mrs. C. F. Horner of Lahaina for several months, leaves here on Tuesday for her home in California. She will be greatly

missed by her large circle of friends.

Miss Maggie Doherty returned to her home in Lahaina from a visit to the Kinau, from a visit to her cousin, Miss Dunn, during which she visited the world's wonder, Kilauea.

Mrs. W. Vannata and child are on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. M. O'Brien. They will probably stay a month.

Weather, as usual, sultry.

THE LABOR QUESTION.

A Workingman Suggests the Importation of Coolies.

MR. EDITOR:—In your issue of the 7th instant you make an allusion to the labor difficulty for plantation work. I quite agree with your note of warning relating to an undesirable class of subjects coming here for plantation or other work. No doubt the chief cause of our present large Chinese and Japanese population is, that they were imported in large numbers in the past and allowed to remain at the expiration of their service. And as the present Government, or rather the white population, regard the above as one of the existing evils, it is impossible to solve the planters' difficulty on the old lines with profit to our existing progressive institutions; therefore, I would suggest that a course, similar to the Australian system, be adopted, namely, to import coolie labor to do the plantation work, and, at the expiration of their service—say one, two or three years—be shipped back to the place from whence they came, unless the coolies were agreeable to serve another term. On no account should they be allowed to work at any kind of work other than tropical agriculture, or be allowed to enter business. By such a system, with Government supervision in shipping and hiring, the sugar industry could be carried on at a profit to the planters and the country. Of course I know several people would object, especially the working classes; but that would be simply from want of knowledge on the subject of sugar planting and the cheap labor, which is a necessity to compete with other countries that employ cheaper labor than can be found in these islands. If I am not trespassing too much on your space, I may mention the success of such a system in Queensland. In 1890 the Queensland Legislature, under strong pressure from the labor party, condemned the kanaka trade (as it is called), and prohibited the importation of kanakas from the South Sea Islands for sugar plantations. The consequence was that sugar cultivation decreased at such an alarming rate (more than half in one year), that the same Government, both in justice to the planter and for the benefit of the colony, reintroduced and passed a bill for the importation of cheap labor from the islands in 1892, with the result that the production of sugar has reached over 140,000 tons for 1894, while in 1891 it was but little over 50,000 tons; and, with the encouragement given to the industry by the Government at present, it is expected that next year the production of sugar in Queensland will reach nearly 200,000 tons; and all those results can be reached without interfering with the white labor market, or in any way creating an obnoxious and undesirable foreign population. I may here mention that the Indian coolie is adapted for that kind of work on account of the immense tea and coffee plantations in that country; and as the South Sea Islands are being depopulated, through various causes, Australia will soon have to go to India for labor for the sugar industry.

Hoping this suggestion may be of service, I am, etc.,

A WORKINGMAN.

WHO CAN HE BE?

A Vancouver Man Lately Wedded, Says He Has Been Here.

After traveling many thousands of miles Otto Semisch, aged 50 years, of Vancouver and Clara Schroeder, 25 years old, of Berlin, were married in Brooklyn recently. The groom is wealthy, and with his bride will soon start for San Francisco, where the honeymoon will be passed. The groom is small and wiry and the bride plump.

Semisch says he is the owner of realty and an electric light plant in Vancouver. Six months ago, while he was the representative of an electrical concern in Hawaii, he decided that he ought to get married. He resigned and returned to Vancouver, where, not finding a suitable helpmate, he left for Berlin.

He became acquainted with Miss Schroeder, and, after an electrical courtship, won her. It takes several months, Mr. Semisch says, to get married in Germany. That didn't suit his temperament, so the couple sailed for New York. Semisch said he had searched in vain for a German Justice to tie the knot, but finally succeeded and is now happy.—New York Sun.

A GAY SOCIETY EVENING.

Two Largely Attended Dances and a Yale Evening.

BRILLIANT BALL AT THE HOTEL.

The Healan's Boat Club Dance a Huge Success—The Pavilion Brilliantly Decorated and Illuminated—Yale Men Congregate at Chief Justice Judd's.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Last night was a most enjoyable one, socially. There were three events, all of importance, and all were thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

At the Hawaiian Hotel, Judge Widemann gave a reception and dance to the officers of the German warships Arcona and Alexandrine, now in port, at which about two hundred and fifty persons were present.

The Hotel was beautifully decorated. Over the front door was draped the German flag. Around the verandas were hung flags of all nations, and the stairways were draped with bunting. The dancing-room was also gaily decorated—American and Hawaiian flags covering the walls. Palm leaves also graced the walls, and made a very pretty contrast to the many-colored bunting.

Shortly before midnight a dainty supper was served. Many prominent people were present, among them United States Minister and Mrs. Willis.

The Healan's Ball.

At the pavilion at Independence Park a large number attended the first ball given by the reconstructed Healan's Boat Club. The decoration committee had worked hard to make the ball-room beautiful, and succeeded admirably. The usual decorations, flags and palms, were used, and were most artistically combined. Over the band stand was the one word, in large letters, "Healan's." Around the room were draped the flags of different nations, held up by long oars and palms. Down the center of the room were a number of signal flags.

Supper was served at 11 in the large dining-room of the pavilion. The music was excellent, ten members of the National Band, including the Quintette Club, furnishing it. Dancing was continued until a late hour.

Yale Men of Hawaii.

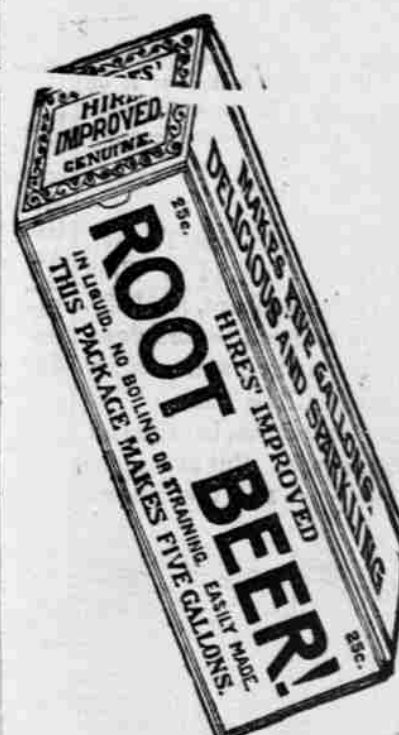
There was a pleasant re-union of Yale men, last evening, at the residence of Chief Justice Judd, L.L.D. The following persons are graduates now resident in the islands: Hiram Bingham, '53; Prof. W. D. Alexander, '55; Dwight D. Baldwin, '57; Wm. N. Armstrong, '58; Chief Justice Judd, '62; Judge Wm. Foster, '74; Judge Frear, '75; Rev. S. B. L. Penrose, '90; Judge A. G. M. Robertson, '93; Alfred Carter, '93; Judge Antone Perry, '94; Willow A. Baldwin, '92 (Sheffield); E. D. Baldwin, '89 (Sheffield); Jas. R. Judd and A. F. Judd, '97; Wm. D. Baldwin, '97; S. E. Damon, '96; C. M. Cooke, '97; C. H. Cooke, '97; A. D. Baldwin, '98.

Some thrilling accounts were given of the way in which Mr. Bingham, Professor Alexander and Chief Justice Judd made things lively in their college days. The matter of forming an alumni association, or a university club, for all college men was discussed. It was believed that such organizations would encourage young men to prepare for and enter college. After refreshments, which included much excellent coconut water, and the singing of college songs, which indicated that Yale only was the foremost college of the world, the reunion ended.

While in Chicago, Mr. Charles L. Kahler, a prominent shoe merchant of Des Moines, Iowa, had quite a serious time of it. He took such a severe cold that he could hardly talk or navigate, but the prompt use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cured him of his cold so quickly that others at the hotel who had bad colds followed his example and half a dozen persons ordered it from the nearest drug store. They were profuse in their thanks to Mr. Kahler for telling them how to cure a bad cold so quickly. For sale by all Dealers, BENSON, SMITH & Co., Agents for H. I.

There was a large crowd at the Hotel Saturday evening, to listen to the band concert given in honor of the naval officers now here. The concert was greatly enjoyed, one of the German pieces being encored three times.

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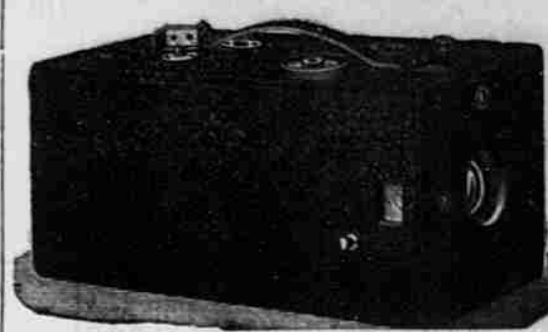
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